

The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS DAY MARCH 30, 2022

- WHEREAS,** *The Vietnam War was fought in Vietnam from 1961 to 1975, and involved North Vietnam and the Viet Cong in conflict with United States Armed Forces, allies of the United States, and South Vietnam; and*
- WHEREAS,** *On January 27, 1973, an agreement was reached to end the war and, on March 30, 1973, the United States Armed Forces completed its withdrawal of combat troops; and*
- WHEREAS,** *There are approximately 111,440 veterans of the Vietnam War currently living in Maryland, who deserve our deepest gratitude and admiration; and*
- WHEREAS,** *American casualties throughout the Vietnam War totaled more than 58,000 dead, 304,000 wounded, 2,500 missing in action, and approximately 1,200 remain as unrecovered. 1,046 Marylanders made the ultimate sacrifice defending Vietnam including the 35 men that remain missing; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The Vietnam War occurred during a period of our history when many of those who served our country bravely and faithfully during that conflict returned home deprived of appreciation for their patriotic service; and*
- WHEREAS,** *"Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day" is an appropriate way for Maryland to thank and honor its members of the United States Armed Forces for their service and sacrifice during the Vietnam War.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MARCH 30, 2022 as WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS DAY in Maryland and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 30th day of March
Two Thousand and twenty-two

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

Robert K. Litterer
Lt. Governor

John C. Womack
Secretary of State